Combat Service Support (CSS)

Purpose: In partnership with the operating forces and the CSS Advocate the Sea Viking CSS Team will develop specific innovations intended to yield interim capabilities to enhance a 2004 deploying MEU and provide input to the Expeditionary Force Development System (EFDS).

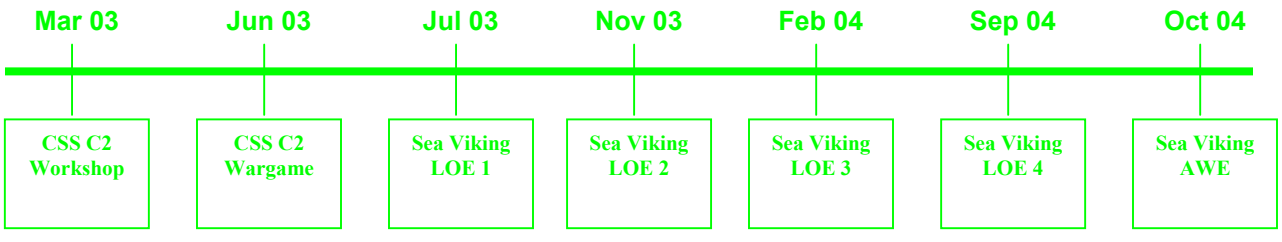
Background: Combat Service Support units have the same requirements as combat arms units to provide command and control to their mobile CSS detachments (MCSSD), but currently do not have the maneuver, intelligence and fires C2 systems tools. This capability deficiency is even more noticeable in STOM where CSS units are maneuvering on a non-linear battlespace over long distances without supporting friendly units. TTPs and a functional organizational structure that will be required for mobile CSS detachments to operate in a STOM environment will need to be defined. Additionally, there is a need to develop supporting TTPs as advanced CSS C2 (Common Logistics Command and Control System (CLC2S) systems are introduced to the operating forces.

Description: This initiative will develop training programs of instruction, standard operating procedures and staff tactics, techniques and procedures needed to employ and command and control mobile combat service support detachments supporting a STOM operation. In addition, this effort will develop TTPs for combat service support requests using advanced digital systems.

- Interim Enhancements
  - CSS C2 suite that supports STOM.
  - MCSSD concept of employment and task organizations capable of supporting combat forces ashore during a STOM.
  - TTPs and recommended MEU CSS organizational structure to exploit digital logistics and maneuver C2 systems to include processing combat service support requests.
- EFDS
  - Assessment of interim enhancements.
  - Recommendations for follow on versions of CLC2S.

Deliverable Products: CSS C2 suite, TTPs, concept of employment and assessment reports.

Milestones:



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